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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. Peripheral equipment of a computer comprising:  
a communication section connected to the computer  
via a network;

5 an operation section to perform an operation of  
changing a network setup of said communication section;

a first storage section to save a current network  
setup value set in said communication section;

a second storage section to previously store  
10 a fixed network setup value;

means for saving in said first storage section the  
network setup value set in said communication section  
in accordance with an operation command from said  
operation section; and

15 means for setting in said communication section  
the fixed network setup value stored in said second  
storage section, in place of the saved network setup  
value.

2. The peripheral equipment of a computer  
20 according to claim 1, further comprising means for  
resetting the fixed network setup value set in said  
communication section to the network setup value saved  
in said first storage section in accordance with  
another operation command from said operation section.

25 3. The peripheral equipment of a computer  
according to claim 1, further comprising means for  
transmitting and receiving various types of adjusted

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values and service information of said equipment to/from the computer by using said communication section, wherein said second storage section previously stores a fixed network setup value which enables  
5 communication with a specific computer.

4. The peripheral equipment of a computer according to claim 3, further comprising means for resetting the fixed network setup value set in said communication section to the network setup value saved  
10 in said first storage section in accordance with another operation command from said operation section.

5. Peripheral equipment of a computer comprising:  
a communication section connected to the computer via a network;

15 means for transmitting and receiving various types of adjusted values and service information of said equipment to/from the computer by using said communication section;

an operation section to perform an operation of  
20 changing a network setup of said communication section;

a first storage section to save a current IP address set in said communication section;

a second storage section to previously store a fixed IP address which enables communication with  
25 a computer having a specific network setup;

means for saving in said first storage section the IP address set in said communication section in

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accordance with an operation command from said operation section;

means for setting in said communication section the fixed IP address stored in said second storage section, in place of the saved IP address; and

means for communicating with the computer having the specific network setup by using the fixed IP address set in said communication section.

6. The peripheral equipment of a computer according to claim 5, further comprising means for resetting the fixed IP address set in said communication section to the IP address saved in said first storage section in accordance with another operation command from said operation section.

7. Peripheral equipment of a computer comprising: communication means connected to the computer via a network;

operating means for performing an operation of changing a network setup of said communication means;

first storing means for saving a current network setup value set in said communication means;

second storing means for previously storing a fixed network setup value;

means for saving in said first storing means the network setup value set in said communication means in accordance with an operation command from said operating means; and

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means for setting in said communication means the fixed network setup value stored in said second storing means, in place of the saved network setup value.